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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT AL-HAMDI'S TRIP TO FRANCE

1. FOREIGN MINISTER ABDALLAH AL-ASNAJ INFORMED ME MAY 28
THAT PRESIDENT AL-HAMDI WILL BE PAYING FORMAL VISIT TO
FRANCE FROM JULY 1 THROUGH JULY 3. HE EXPLAINED THAT VISIT
IS PRIMARILY SYMBOLIC IN ORDER DEMONSTRATE YEMEN'S EMERGENCE
ONTO WORLD SCENE. YEMENIS, HOWEVER, WILL ALSO BE SEEKING
TO INTEREST FRENCH IN INVESTMENT AND COMMERCIAL POSSIBILITIES
IN YEMEN.

2. COMMENT: AL-HAMDI'S RECENT VISITS ABROAD HAVE FOR THEIR
PURPOSE, AS AL-ASNAJ POINTS OUT, THE ENHANCEMENT OF YEMEN'S
INTERNATIONAL IMAGE BUT ALSO AT SAME TIME AL-HAMDI'S INTERNAL
PRESTIGE. THE VISIT TO FRANCE WILL BE AL-HAMDI'S FIRST TO
THE WEST. DESPITE SOME POSSIBLE COMMERCIAL COMPETITION FOR
AMERICAN FIRMS WHICH MAY RESULT, THE VISIT IS CERTAINLY
WELCOME BALANCE TO AL-HAMDI'S RECENT TRIPS TO COMMUNIST
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